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### § 1731. Protection to naturalized citizens abroad

All naturalized citizens of the United States while in foreign countries are entitled to and shall receive from this Government the same protection of persons and property which is accorded to native-born citizens.

(R.S. § 2000.)

#### CODIFICATION

R.S. § 2000 derived from Act July 27, 1868, ch. 249, § 2, 15 Stat. 224.

Section was formerly classified to section 903a of Title 8, Aliens and Nationality.

#### EQUITABLE TREATMENT BY UNITED STATES OF ITS CITIZENS LIVING ABROAD

Pub. L. 95-426, title VI, § 611, Oct. 7, 1978, 92 Stat. 989, as amended by Pub. L. 96-60, title IV, § 407, Aug. 15, 1979, 93 Stat. 405; Pub. L. 97-241, title V, § 505(a)(2), (b)(1), Aug. 24, 1982, 96 Stat. 299, provided that: “The Congress finds that—

“(1) United States citizens living abroad should be provided fair and equitable treatment by the United States Government with regard to taxation, citizenship of progeny, veterans’ benefits, voting rights, Social Security benefits, and other obligations, rights, and benefits; and

“(2) United States statutes and regulations should be designed so as not to create competitive disadvantage for individual American citizens living abroad or working in international markets.”

### § 1732. Release of citizens imprisoned by foreign governments

Whenever it is made known to the President that any citizen of the United States has been unjustly deprived of his liberty by or under the authority of any foreign government, it shall be the duty of the President forthwith to demand of that government the reasons of such imprisonment; and if it appears to be wrongful and in violation of the rights of American citizenship, the President shall forthwith demand the release of such citizen, and if the release so demanded is unreasonably delayed or refused, the President shall use such means, not amounting to acts of war and not otherwise prohibited by law, as he may think necessary and proper to obtain or effectuate the release; and all the facts and proceedings relative thereto shall as soon as practicable be communicated by the President to Congress.

(R.S. § 2001; Pub. L. 101-222, § 9, Dec. 12, 1989, 103 Stat. 1900.)

#### CODIFICATION

R.S. § 2001 derived from act July 27, 1868, ch. 249, § 3, 15 Stat. 224.

Section was formerly classified to section 903b of Title 8, Aliens and Nationality.

#### AMENDMENTS

1989—Pub. L. 101-222 inserted “and not otherwise prohibited by law” after “acts of war”.

#### RELEASE OF AMERICAN HOSTAGES IN IRAN

For Executive Order provisions relating to the release of the American hostages in Iran, see Ex. Ord. Nos. 12276 to 12285, Jan. 19, 1981, 46 F.R. 7913 to 7932, list-

ed in a table under section 1701 of Title 50, War and National Defense.

## CHAPTER 24—MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

### SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

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1750 to 1753a. Repealed.  
1754. Foreign currencies.  
1755 to 1782. Repealed or Omitted.  
1783. Coordination with foreign policy.  
1784 to 1795. Repealed.  
1796. Participation in Joint Commission on Rural Reconstruction in China.  
1797. Repealed.

### SUBCHAPTER II—MILITARY ASSISTANCE

1811 to 1834. Repealed.

### SUBCHAPTER III—ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

#### PART A—DEFENSE SUPPORT

1841 to 1852. Repealed.  
1853. Assistance to Yugoslavia.  
1854. Repealed.

#### PART B—DEVELOPMENT LOAN FUND

1870 to 1876. Repealed.

#### PART C—TECHNICAL COOPERATION

1891 to 1896. Repealed.  
1896a. Restriction on commitments for technical assistance.  
1896b. Colombo Plan Council for Technical Cooperation; authorization.  
1897, 1898. Repealed.

#### PART D—SPECIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER PROGRAMS

1920 to 1927. Repealed.  
1928. North Atlantic Treaty Organization.  
1928a. North Atlantic Treaty Parliamentary Conference; participation; appointment of United States Group.  
1928b. Authorization of appropriations.  
1928c. Report to the Congress.  
1928d. Auditing and accounting.  
1928e. North Atlantic Assembly; appropriations for expenses of annual meeting.  
1929 to 1936. Repealed.  
1937. Irish counterpart account; approval of disposition.  
1938 to 1941. Repealed.  
1942. Development assistance in Latin America; Congressional declaration of policy.  
1943. Authorization of appropriations; restrictions; reports to Congressional committees.  
1944. Reconstruction assistance in Chile; authorization of appropriations.  
1945. Utilization of funds for assistance in Latin America; availability for transportation of immigrants from Ryukyuan Archipelago.

### SUBCHAPTER IV—CONTINGENCY FUND

1951. Repealed.

### SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

### §§ 1750 to 1753a. Repealed. Pub. L. 87-195, pt. III, § 642(a)(2), (5), Sept. 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 460

Section 1750, act Aug. 26, 1954, ch. 937, § 2, formerly ch. IV, § 549, as added July 8, 1955, ch. 301, § 11, 69 Stat. 289, renumbered and amended July 18, 1956, ch. 627, § 2, 70 Stat. 555; July 24, 1959, Pub. L. 86-108, § 2, 73 Stat. 246; May 14, 1960, Pub. L. 86-472, § 2, 74 Stat. 134, stated the Congressional declaration of purpose for this chapter. See section 2151 et seq. of this title.